

# New Church Project Status – Sept. 26

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We are pleased to report that the Design Development Phase of the New Church Project is nearly complete.

Design Development has taken approximately 4 months to complete and has been overlapped by the Cost Review Phase of the project. We expect to wrap up Design Development with meetings on September 30 and October 2 and then be able to immediately begin creating Construction Documents. The Construction Documents are basically detailed instructions on what we want built. These will be used to bid out our project and will take approximately 4 months to create. The expected completion date is January 31, 2016.

In parallel to the Design Development Phase we have been preparing a Construction Manager agreement and expect to request proposals for a Construction Manager in October. This will allow us to evaluate the best firms to consider when we request their final proposals after receipt of the Construction Documents.

We still expect to “break Ground” in late spring of 2016 and be in our New Church in the summer of 2017. We will do everything we can to speed the process and stay on schedule, but also recognize that we need to do the job right and come as close to our budget as possible.

As of August 31, 2015, 965 parishioners have pledged an average amount just under \$3,300, and we have \$5.88M designated for the project. **This is approximately 89% of our goal.** We’re not quite there yet, but are pleased to report that new pledges and donations still continue to come in each month!

**Thank you to all who have pledged, who have donated without pledging, and who have prayed for our success. Your generosity and support is very much appreciated.**

We will continue to update you monthly on progress as we move through the Construction Document and subsequent project phases, but if you have any questions about the Building Project, the Capital Campaign, the Parish Community building efforts, or any other phase of the project, please review the materials on our parish website ([www.stedwardsny.org](http://www.stedwardsny.org)) or contact a member of the Master Planning or Capital Campaign Committees.

Yours in Christ,

Father Patrick Butler